

# Carlsbad *Currents*

Fall 2018

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## Are You Prepared?

Fall is typically the height of fire season, although California has already seen several devastating wildfires this year. Warmer than average conditions this summer have led to dry hillsides and roadside brush becoming even more vulnerable to catching fire. Make sure you and your family are prepared with an emergency plan and supplies just in case sparks fly in Carlsbad.

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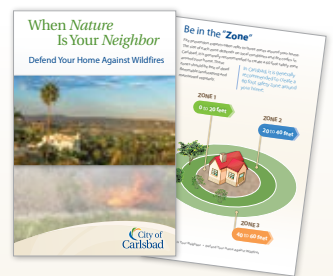


## Get the Message

- Sign up for **Alert San Diego** at [www.readysandiego.com](http://www.readysandiego.com) to get emergency updates, evacuation notices and other urgent messages on your cell phone and email. (Landlines are already in the system).
- Download the **SD Emergency app**, which features links to countywide and Carlsbad-specific emergency information, interactive maps and shelter locations.
- Monitor city website and social media channels.

## Are you “Defending” Your Home?

One hot ember can blow for blocks during dry Santa Ana conditions. Make sure if it lands on your property, you’ve reduced your fire risk by creating a ring of “defensible space.” Pick up a free guide to protecting your home from wildfires at any city building or view it on the city’s website.



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- Remove debris from gutters.
- Cover attic, foundation and other vents with 1/8 inch metal mesh screens.
- Use rock or gravel mulch instead of wood chips close to your home.
- Keep firewood, lumber, propane tanks and other flammable materials away from your home.
- Get rid of dry or dead plants.
- Thin out landscaping to create space in between plants.
- Make sure tree branches aren’t too close to your home.
- During high winds, remove umbrellas, patio cushions and other flammable materials near your home.
- Avoid activities that could make a spark during hot, windy conditions.

## Get your Kit Together

In the event of an emergency, public safety officials say you should plan to be self-sufficient for at least three days. Having a complete emergency supply kit on-hand will ensure you have what you need. Don’t forget about the needs of your older family members and furry family members (pets!) when putting together your kit.





# Fun Things to Do

## Cinema Club

Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium  
Carlsbad City Library (Dove Lane)  
760-602-2024

Foreign Film Fridays represents some of the finest cinema from across the globe on Fridays at 4 and 7 p.m. **Wednesday Film Series** is a diverse mix of films, providing cinema fans with the latest movies and beloved favorites on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. **Saturday Cinema Series** begins at

1:30 p.m. with a pre-cinema chat led by a film expert, followed by the film screening at 2 p.m. and post show discussion. Admission is free and seating is first come, first served.



## Beloved Object

Sept. 2 – Nov. 11, Free  
Cannon Art Gallery  
Carlsbad City Library (Dove Lane)  
760-602-2021

Featuring treasured objects from each lender, this exhibition celebrates favorite items from various Southern California collections and organizations. Each of the beautiful and engaging objects is a beloved possession.

For more events, visit  
[www.carlsbadca.gov](http://www.carlsbadca.gov).



## Pumpkin Plunge

Oct 20, 5 p.m. (movie starts at dusk)  
\$10 per person, kids ages 3 and under are free

Alga Norte Aquatics  
Center, 760-286-4777

Enjoy two hours of fun Halloween-themed pool activities, including a floating pumpkin patch where every child will leave with a pumpkin. Finish the night off with a presentation of *The Boxtrolls* (PG) on the outdoor movie screen.



## Epic Tween Night: Pine Park

Nov 3, 6 - 9 p.m.  
\$10 per person; kids 10 to 14 years  
Pine Ave Community Park  
760-434-2843



With video games, giant inflatables, laser tag and an outdoor movie, it's the perfect night to party! Drop off your tween for an exciting night complete with black light dance room and a photo booth.



## Holiday at the Rancho

Dec 1, 5 – 8 p.m.  
\$10 per person, kids ages 3 and under are free  
Leo Carrillo Historic Park, 760-434-2843

Leo Carrillo Ranch is the perfect setting for a classic holiday feel with carolers, a tree lighting, cookie decorating, crafts and train rides. Face painting, an outdoor movie presentation of *The Muppet Christmas Carol* (rated G) and a special visit by Santa are also included.



## Front Row Fridays

7 – 8:30 p.m., Free  
Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium  
Carlsbad City Library (Dove Lane)  
760-602-2090

*In the Moment with Missy Andersen, Nov. 9:* Missy Andersen and her accompanist/ husband, Heine Andersen, perform gospel-tinged vocals and Blues & Americana inspired guitar work. *The Nutcracker and Beyond: Piano Duo, Dec. 14:* Experience the season with the award-winning Grigorian Gubenko Piano Duo, performing exciting selections by Debussy, Saint-Saëns and Tchaikovsky.



# Time for a Water Checkup?

Carlsbad residents are eligible for a free in home "WaterSmart Checkup." Through this program, a water conservation expert will help you learn how to set your irrigation timer for maximum efficiency and identify potential ways to save water inside and out. You won't be obligated to make the suggested changes, but we have a feeling you might want to:

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- Save money on your water bill
- Take better care of your landscaping
- Do your part to conserve water
- Avoid run off that could pollute our ocean and lagoons
- Have your sprinkler timer properly adjusted



Sign up today at 866-883-1332 or [www.watersmartcheckup.org](http://www.watersmartcheckup.org)



## Fall Irrigation Tips



Cooler weather and shorter days means you can adjust your irrigation schedule to use less water. Forget how to program your system? Lost your manual? Most brands keep manuals online. Try searching the internet for your system's make and model, then print out the instructions and post them somewhere visible.

## Born to Run

This Greater Roadrunner, recently spotted at the city's Calavera Preserve, is a member of the cuckoo family and found in the southwestern United States and Mexico. Greater Roadrunners spend most of their lives on the ground hunting lizards, small mammals and birds. They can run at speeds up to 20 mph.



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